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Googins Announces Homeland Security Grant to Glastonbury



HARTFORD - State Representative Sonny Googins (R-Glastonbury) announced today that Glastonbury would receive \$107,641 in federal Homeland Security grants as part of a \$24 million grant to the State of Connecticut to strengthen state, local and regional programs aimed at responding to, preventing, and recovering from terrorist attacks.

The total funds Glastonbury will receive are the combination of \$74,708 from the FFY 2005 State Homeland Security Program Local Share, and \$32,932 for Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention. The funds can be used for planning and operations, communications, medical reserves and regional response teams for hazardous materials and bombs. It will assist response to threats such as chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear or explosive incidents, cyber attacks and natural disasters.

Representative Googins noted the efforts of Governor M. Jodi Rell in obtaining the funding from the federal government.

“These funds will increase the ability of Glastonbury to meaningfully participate as a first responder in the event of a terror attack that impacts this region, or to a natural disaster,” said Representative Googins. “It is critical that we be properly prepared for unforeseen emergencies, and these funds will allow us to improve our ability to do so.”